

## Minutes of the Oconto Utility Commission held on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020

“Unapproved”

- 1.) Call meeting to order by President Schreiber at 5:30 p.m.
- 2.) Roll Call: Members Present: Ron Filz, Earl Uhl, Al Schreiber, Brian Vandenlangenberg, & Steve VanCampenhout. Others Present: Jeremy Wusterbarth.
- 3.) Approval of agenda: **Motion by Uhl second by Vandenlangenberg to approve of the agenda as presented.** **5 ayes M/C**
- 4.) Approval of meeting minutes from 5/11/2020: **Motion by VanCampenhout second by Filz to approve of the meeting minutes from 5/11/2020 as presented.** **5 ayes M/C**
- 5.) Public Input: None.
- 6.) Correspondence:
  - a.) Construction Update: Mott St – All underground construction was complete today. Finished the Storm Sewer. Everyone is on the new water main now. Curb & gutter workers coming in and string lining the back half of the project before the weekend. Planning on cutting out the rest of the road by the end of the week. Next week plan to pour the rest of the curb & gutter. Three to four weeks ahead of schedule.
  - b.) Scherer Ave Water Tower interior painting: As a part of our maintenance agreement with Suez, Inc.(used to be Utility Services), interior painting of the Scherer Ave water tower was completed. The pedestal and tank of the water tower has been painted. Jeremy and the foreman did a final inspection today to be sure it is DNR code compliant as far as overflow pipes, hatches that need to be locked, vent screens, etc. Landscaping still needs to be done after the dumpsters are gone.
  - c.) Retirement letter from Lab Director: Official letter from Lisa that she is retiring as the Lab Director.
  - d.) Utility Report: Normal. Nothing out of the ordinary.
  - e.) Electrical Usage: Normal. Nothing out of the ordinary.
  - f.) WWTP Flows: April is normal. Anticipating a spike in May because of the high precipitation that month.
  - g.) Septic Hauler Comparison: Normal. Nothing out of the ordinary.
  - h.) First St storm relief station: We’ve been tracking where the I&I (Wastewater Inflow & Infiltration) is coming from. We know some is coming from the townships and sump pumps. Adam Filz and Jeremy had a letter mailed out to all residents of the City. City-wide inspections will be done, making sure we don’t have illegal hookups and if we do, making sure that if there is a storm lateral available, they get it hooked to that. If they don’t have a storm lateral available, we will make sure that they get one the next time there is a construction project in their area or a catch basin neat there home getting a lateral in there. This will help alleviate the I&I issue. Another problem that we found is on First St. There is a small brick building that was used as a storm relief system in the 70s and 80s. It was used for sanitary overflow that would be automatically discharged into the river. DNR no longer allows this without permission. Now the building is creating some I&I problems. Because the river is so high, the water is coming back into the station and is overflowing into the sanitary system. Jeremy is looking to seal off and allow us to control the amounts of water coming in from river. Not 100% sure how much this will affect the I&I and how much this will alleviate the problem.
- 7.) Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following:
  - a.) Approve pay request #2 to DeGroot Construction, Inc. for the reconstruction of Mott & Mill St. Request to be handed out at meeting: Jeremy went over the pay request details. **Motion by Uhl second by VanCampenhout to approve pay request #2 to DeGroot Construction, Inc. for the reconstruction of Mott & Mill St in the amount of \$263,137.05.** **5 ayes M/C**
  - b.) Approve final pay request to Peter’s Concrete, Inc. in the amount of \$6,966.15 for the reconstruction of Washburn & Lindsey Ave: On November 26, 2019 we paid \$651,102.64, what we thought was the final amount owed to Peter’s Concrete. Their accountants called Jeremy, they found a mistake in

the payments. We double checked their findings and verified we underpaid them. **Motion by Filz second by Vandenlangenberg to approve final pay request to Peter's Concrete, Inc. in the amount of \$6,966.15 for the reconstruction of Washburn & Lindsey Ave. 5 ayes M/C**

c.) Approve invoice from WI Department of Natural Resources in the amount of \$7,807.33 for 2020 environmental fees: Yearly environmental fees from the DNR that we pay every year. **Motion by Uhl second by VanCampenhout to approve invoice from WI Department of Natural Resources in the amount of \$7,807.33 for 2020 environmental fees. 5 ayes M/C**

d.) Approve 2019 CMAR: Nothing abnormal. Looks good. Typical yearly CMAR Report. Needs approval and DNR submittal. **Motion by Filz second by Vandenlangenberg to approve 2019 CMAR. 5 ayes M/C**

8.) Next Meeting Date & Time: Monday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

9.) Adjournment: **Motion by VanCampenhout second by Uhl to adjourn @ 5:47 p.m. 5 ayes M/C**

Meeting minutes submitted by:

Brittney Bickel

Utility Clerk